

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
31st January 1868.*

No 571. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Military Department :—

Passing orders on Public Works Proceedings }
regarding Momaties and Crowbars which may } (Here enter 28th January 1868, No. 346.)
be required for Madras and North Arcot }
Districts from the Grand Arsenal.

No. 572. ORDER THEREON, 31st January 1868, No. 278.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Military Department, No. 346.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 483. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 19th December 1867 :—

1. With reference to the Board's letter, dated 16th December 1867, No.—, I am directed to report to Government that the Board have ascertained that there are only 3,000 momaties, pickaxes, &c., in stock in the Public Works Stores, and that if unfortunately it should be necessary to provide employment for the people, this number will be wholly inadequate.

2. By the census lately taken the population of the Madras District (excluding the Presidency town), was 804,000, and that of North Arcot, including the Zemin-daries, was 1,787,000. It is not likely that there can be any large surplus supply of tools in the District, and the Board would suggest to Government that measures should at once be taken to increase the stock largely, and that the Superintendent should be instructed to have those now in stock packed up in hundreds, so that they may be despatched wherever required without delay.

3. It will be in the recollection of Government that great difficulty was experienced and much valuable time lost in Bellary last year, in obtaining tools for the people.

4. The attention of the Collectors of North Arcot and Madras has been drawn to this subject, and they have been directed to be careful to make timely application for such implements as they consider necessary. The Board are of opinion, indeed, that it would be no more than prudent to send a moderate supply at once to Chittoor, Vellore, Arcot, Pootoor, and Chingleput, where there are European Officers located, in order that they may thence be distributed without delay, should occasion unhappily arise.

Transferred to the Public Works Department.
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government, R. D.

20th December 1867.

No. 484. ORDER THEREON, 21st December 1867, No. 3,964.

ACCOUNT, No. 43.

Iron momaties	...	...	...	12,127
Pickaxes	...	...	...	10,670
Crowbars	...	...	...	12,089

1. The Board of Revenue will be informed that, in addition to the tools marginally noted which are now on hand in the Public Works Stores, 41,000 iron momaties and 9,134 crow-bars are available in the Grand Arsenal,

and that indents in the usual form should be submitted for such quantities of these tools as may be required for the Madras and North Arcot Districts.

2. If larger quantities of momaties and crowbars than those above noted be required, they can be made up, on contract, on funds being allotted for the purpose. English pickaxes being too heavy and unsuited to the people, and English crowbars not being well adapted for ordinary earth-work, crowbars of a lighter description, readily made up from round iron, might be advantageously issued in preference.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st December 1867.*

3. The Government understand that a very small fractional addition to the wages of laborers will induce them to bring their own tools to the works on which they may be required to labor.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following:—

Proceedings of the Madras Government,
Public Works Department.

Observing that indents should be submitted for such quantities of momatics and crowbars as may be required for the Madras and North Arcot Districts, they being now available in the Grand Arsenal.

Here enter 21st Dec. 1867, No. 3964.

ORDER, No. 346, 28th January 1868.

Communicated to the Inspector General of Ordnance for information and guidance.

2. A sufficiency of tools for Army purposes will, however, be retained in the Arsenal—issues to the Civil authorities being re-placed to such extent as the Inspector General, in communication with the Quarter Master General, may find necessary.

(True Extract.)

W. C. Smith. Major,

Offg. Deputy Secretary to Government.

To the Inspector General of Ordnance.
" Quarter Master General.
" Controller of Military Accounts.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.

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Communicated to the
Revenue Board.

Exd. A. W. Cooke.

By Order of the Board of Revenue with the No. 346
31st Jan. /68

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